

Rep. Brown-Waite FY2009 Congressional Funding Requests

Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$300,000 for the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agriculture Sciences Shellfish Aquaculture Development Program. These funds would be used to conduct multi-disciplinary research into struggling aquaculture programs throughout Florida.

Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$100,000 for the Levy County Sheriff's Office Drug Task Force. These funds would allow the Levy County Task Force to aggressively fight a growing drug trade in the region and help reduce crime.

Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$2,147,000 for Lake County to fund an 800 Mhz radio system and for equipment and technology for the Emergency Operations Center of Lake County.

Defense – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$2,000,000 for Saint Leo University's distance education program (School of Continuing Education). These funds would be used to continue the tele-learning program and connect students around the nation and at military bases around the world to the Saint Leo distance education program.

Defense – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$3,000,000 for the University of Miami's Miller School of Medicine's Center for Learning Excellence, the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis. These funds will be used for the continued research into spinal cord injuries and their treatments as part of the Project Battlefield and Combat Related Spinal Cord Injury Research program. These funds would be used to study the battlefield injuries of returning veterans and active military members as well as non-military patients.

Defense – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$4,500,000 for Pall Aerospace for engine air particle separator weight reduction research development and construction. These funds will be used for the production of reduced weight engine air particle separators used in U.S. Army Cargo helicopters to protect engines from contaminant ingestion.

Defense – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$7,000,000 for VLOC, Inc.'s domestic production of transparent polycrystalline laser gain materials. These funds will be used for the production of polycrystalline laser gain materials that are used in the deployment by the Department of Defense of advanced near-infrared high-power laser systems.

Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$4,331,000 for the City of Brooksville for water and wastewater improvement. These funds would be used for the administration, engineering and construction of improvements to the City of Brooksville's 1925-era water and wastewater system.

Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$5,600,000 for the U.S. Department of Fish and Wildlife's land acquisition program for the purchase of environmentally sensitive land surrounding Three Sisters Springs. This property abuts manatee protection areas and would place a large undeveloped tract of land in public ownership, allowing for the further protection of the endangered manatee species.

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies – Rep. Brown-Waite has requested \$1,000,000 for the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners for dealing with water runoff from runoff from U.S. Highway 19. While not implemented during state roadway expansions, runoff mitigation must be instituted to protect pristine wetlands surrounding the Homosassa Southfork Phase IV project.